

REPORT SUMMARY

Department of Livestock

This audit report documents the results of our financial-compliance audit of the Department of Livestock (department) for the two fiscal years ended June 30, 2007.

This report contains five recommendations where the department could improve accounting and enhance compliance with federal regulations and state laws. The department's written response to the audit recommendations begins on page B-3.

We issued an unqualified opinion on the department's financial schedules contained in the report. This means the reader may rely on the financial information and supporting data on the state's accounting records.

The listing below serves as a means of summarizing the recommendations contained in the report, the department's response thereto, and a reference to the supporting comments.

Recommendation #1

We recommend the department ensure quarterly federal reports are supported by the state's accounting records.....4

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Recommendation #2

We recommend the department have adequate support to document compensation charges to federal programs in accordance with federal regulations.5

Department Response: Concur.....B-3

Recommendation #3

We recommend the department receive adequate training in order to comply with state accounting policy.....5

Department Response: Partially Concur.....B-3

Recommendation #4

We recommend the department:

A. Monitor employees to ensure deposits for local inspection fees comply with state law. ...7

Department Response: Concur.....B-4

B. Continue to enhance compliance with state law related to excess annual leave.....7

Department Response: Concur.....B-4

C. Collect transportation permit fees and issue entry permits in compliance with state law.7

Department Response: Partially Concur.....B-4

Recommendation #5

We recommend the department:

- A. Conduct an analysis of its federal special funds each year to ensure the correct amount is recorded as fund balance in each fund.8

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- B. Record the liability for amounts due to the federal government for the Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.8

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